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June 3, 2005

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## SACRAMENTO UPDATE

### Budget Conference Committee Update

**Trauma Care Fund.** On June 2, 2005, the conference committee discussed the Assembly's recommendation for a \$10 million augmentation to the State's Trauma Care Fund. Assembly Member John Laird stated that funding for trauma centers was important to the Assembly, and urged his colleagues to support it. While the issue was held open, a brief discussion of the State's proposed Medi-Cal hospital financing waiver followed. Senator Denise Ducheny voiced strong concerns regarding the State's proposal, and indicated that the waiver would not work for public and private safety net hospitals, largely because it separates public and private safety net hospital funding, and that there is no real growth in Federal funding during the five-year waiver period.

### Pursuit of County-Position on Legislation

**AB 1333 (Frommer)**, as amended on May 4, 2005, would: 1) make it a crime for a grease hauler to discard grease materials at any place other than an authorized facility; 2) prohibit a grease hauler from reinserting grease materials into any facility from which the hauler has just removed the material; 3) prohibit disposal of grease removed from a grease trap or grease interceptor into a land treatment unit for incorporation into the soil; 4) subject violators to a misdemeanor, punishable by a maximum six months in jail or a

maximum \$10,000 fine, or both, subject repeat violators to a maximum one year in jail or a maximum \$25,000 fine, or both, and allows the court to bar repeat violators from engaging in the grease hauling business for up to five years; and 5) earmark 50 percent of penalty revenue to the Environmental and Training Account, 25 percent to the customary penalty distribution process, and 25 percent to the local health officer or other local official who investigated the matter bringing the action.

The Department of Public Works recommends that the County support AB 1333 because it would deter grease haulers from improperly disposing grease materials. Support for AB 1333 is consistent with existing policy to support legislation to provide for the safe disposal of all waste materials. **Therefore, our Sacramento advocates will support AB 1333.**

AB 1333 is sponsored by the California District Attorney's Association and supported by: the California Coastkeeper Alliance; Liquid Environmental Solutions; Planning and Conservation League; San Diego Baykeeper; Santa Monica Baykeeper; and Sierra Club California. There is no registered opposition. This measure passed the Assembly Floor on May 31, 2005 by a vote of 54 to 23 and now proceeds to the Senate.

#### Status of County-Interest Legislation

**County-supported AB 338 (Levine)**, which would require the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to use increasing amounts of crumb rubber from waste tires in State highway, construction, and repair projects, passed the Assembly on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 52 to 24, and now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-supported AB 717 (Gordon)**, which would require Centinela Airport Clinic to receive reimbursement rates that are equivalent to that of a contiguous emergency department of a general acute care hospital, if the clinic meets certain criteria, passed the Assembly on June 2, 2005 by a vote of 42 to 15, and now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-opposed AB 761 (Jones)**, which would require general acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, and special hospitals to consider guidelines developed by relevant professional associations, if available, to determine staffing levels, and to consider worker injury rates and patient injury rates, passed the Assembly on June 2, 2005 by a vote of 42 to 34, and now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-supported AB 856 (Bass)**, which would add the Director of the Department of Conservation, or his or her designee, as a non-voting member of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) board, make changes pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, and repeal the requirement that the BHC obtain and maintain liability insurance, passed the Assembly on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 53 to 26, and now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-supported AB 862 (Bass)**, which would direct the State Department of Corrections to provide information on how to modify child support orders to every inmate who is a parent of a minor, and would include: 1) a Child Support Handbook; 2) a pamphlet entitled, "Child Support Information for the Parent in Jail or Prison"; and 3) other relevant materials developed by the Department of Child Support Services, passed the Assembly on June 2, 2005 by a vote of 41 to 31, and now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-sponsored AB 1285 (Montañez)**, which would expand eligibility for participation in the Investing in Early Educators stipend program to include persons working in licensed family child care homes, and child care centers that do not hold California Department of Education contracts, passed the Assembly on May 31, 2005, by a vote of 56 to 22, after the adoption of an urgency clause. This measure now proceeds to the Senate.

**County-opposed SB 34 (Florez)**, which would have required the majority of the membership of the county First 5 commissions to consist of persons who do not represent a county, was amended on June 1, 2005 to address the probation requirements of sex offenders. **Because this bill no longer deals with county First 5 commissions, we will remove our opposition to SB 34 and take no position on this measure.**

**County-supported if amended SB 35 (Florez)**, which would require county First 5 commissions to: 1) adopt policies regarding conflict of interest and contracting and procurement procedures; 2) adopt a limit on the amount of its revenues that can be spent on administrative functions; 3) adopt policies and processes establishing the salaries and benefits of employees of the county commission; and 4) send its annual audit and report to the State First 5 Commission, passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on May 27, 2005 by a vote of 13 to 0, and now proceeds to the Senate Floor. The County will continue to support SB 35 if amended, to require stronger fiscal oversight by the State without affecting local control.

**County-opposed SB 112 (Ortiz)**, which would change the formula used to calculate each county's share of total State Refugee Employment Social Services (RESS), and Refugee Targeted Assistance Program (RTAP) funds, passed the Senate Floor on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 22 to 14, and now proceeds to the Assembly.

**County-supported SB 148 (Scott)**, which would authorize the Cities of Bakersfield and Pasadena, on a four-year pilot basis, to apply new zoning regulations to pre-existing businesses which sell alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption, such as liquor stores, allow affected businesses up to six months to comply, and authorize the cities to allow longer time periods, passed the Senate on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 25 to 15, and now proceeds to the Assembly.

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**County-opposed SB 521 (Torlakson)**, which would change redevelopment law relating to transit villages and divert local tax revenues from the County, passed the Senate on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 22 to 14, and now proceeds to the Assembly.

**County-supported SB 578 (Escutia)**, which would require a railroad corporation to promptly notify the Office of Emergency Services, the California Highway Patrol, and designated county public safety agencies in an endangered area, of certain information relative to hazardous materials, and in certain events, of train and track locations, whether or not an accident or spill occurs, passed the Senate on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 32 to 4, and now proceeds to the Assembly.

**County-supported SB 640 (Escutia)**, which would appropriate \$5 million in one-time-only Federal quality carryover child development funds to continue local programs of training and technical assistance to child care providers to increase their capacity to care for children with disabilities, passed the Senate on June 1, 2005 by a vote of 27 to 13, and now proceeds to the Assembly.

A roster containing the status of all bills of County interest is attached.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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City Managers Associations  
Buddy Program Participants

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE  
STATUS OF BILLS OF INTEREST TO THE COUNTY  
2005-06 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

These are bills we have pursued in Sacramento pursuant to Board actions or as reported in bill policy memoranda.

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 13	Goldberg	Support (State Update: 4/21/05)	Would establish the California Racial Mascots Act which would prohibit public schools from using the term 'Redskins' as a school or athletic team name, mascot, or nickname beginning January 1, 2007. Schools with enrollment boundaries that include a portion of Indian reservations would be exempted provided that the tribe having regulatory jurisdiction over the territory has authorized the use of the team name, mascot or nickname through an appropriate enactment or resolution.	Senate Education
AB 109	Chan	Support if Amended to require stronger fiscal oversight by the State without affecting local control (Board Action: 3/1/05)	Would require county First 5 commissions to: 1) adopt policies regarding conflict of interest and contracting and procurement procedures; 2) adopt a limit on the amount of its operating budget that can be spent on administrative functions; 3) adopt policies and processes establishing the salaries and benefits of employees of the county commission; and 4) send its annual audit and report to the State First 5 Commission. The bill would authorize the Controller to recommend to the State Commission that it withhold the county commission's share of tobacco tax revenues until the Controller determines that the county commission has corrected its practices as necessary to respond to audit findings.	Senate Desk
AB 126	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 1/25/05)	Would require counties to ensure that the availability of services and quality of treatment received by indigent patients is equivalent to the care received by non-indigent patients in private facilities. Would also change the Beilenson process to require counties to make a finding that closing, eliminating, or reducing indigent health care services will not have a detrimental impact on the health care needs of indigent people in the county.	Assembly Health
AB 158	Bermudez	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would require the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to convene a special task force to study certain railroad safety issues, including vandalism, transporting hazardous waste, and identifying threats from terrorism, deficiencies in current land use planning and deficiencies for responding to railroad emergencies. It would also require the CPUC to recommend safety measures and include the findings and recommendations in its annual report to the Legislature on sites on railroad lines that are found to be hazardous.	Assembly Utilities and Commerce

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 208	Gordon	Support (Board Action: 2/15/05)	Would authorize school districts that have elected to become a school district of choice prior to April 1, 2005, to give priority for transfers to the children of military personnel, and establish specific time lines within which such a transfer may be requested by the parent or guardian, and must be resolved by the school district.	Senate Desk
AB 262	Berg	Support in Concept (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would prohibit the Judicial Council from requiring that a court facility proposed to be transferred from a county to the State, be held to a stricter standard than those standards adopted by the county for county buildings.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 338	Levine	Support (State Update: 3/30/05)	Would require the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to use increasing amounts of crumb rubber from waste tires in State highway, construction, and repair projects. Specifically, this bill requires the State to use not less than 20 percent crumb rubber, by ton, of the total amount of asphalt paving materials used on and after January 1, 2007, and increases this amount to 25 percent by 2010, capping the crumb rubber mix in asphalt to not less than 35 percent by 2013.	Senate Desk
AB 547	Berg, Richman	Support (State Update: 4/4/05)	Would repeal the requirement that a city or county authorize its needle exchange program through a declaration of a local emergency, and authorize clean needle exchange programs upon the action of a county board of supervisors and the local health officer or health commission, or upon the action of a city council, the mayor and the local health officer.	Senate Health
AB 613	Mountjoy	Support (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would establish a higher burden of proof for the determination of "job relatedness" in workers' compensation cases. Under current law, an injury is deemed compensable (job related) if the job contributes in any manner or degree as the cause of the injury. AB 613 would provide that for an injury to be deemed compensable there must be a preponderance of evidence that employment activities were the predominant causes of the injury.	Assembly Insurance
AB 642	Negrete-McLeod	Oppose Unless Amended to limit liability to those instances where injury or death is a result of an action by the employer (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would create a job-related presumption for workers' compensation for an injury or death as a result of a vaccination or medication given to prevent infection from a biochemical substance. Under the bill, the employer would be liable even if the vaccination is procured solely by the employee without direction of the employer.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 667	Jones	No Position	NOW: Was amended to require the Legislative Analyst's Office to contract with an appropriate and qualified entity to conduct an evaluation of the child support program, convene an advisory group to provide oversight of the process, and report the findings and recommendations of the evaluation to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2007.	Senate Desk
		Oppose (State Update: 4/21/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have changed the performance standards relating to, and State oversight of, local child support agencies and required the State to either seek the removal of the local administrator or assess a financial penalty for failure to achieve performance standards.	
AB 696	Chu	Support if Amended to retain fingerprint imaging for CalWORKs cases and Food Stamp cases with General Assistance (State Update: 3/28/05)	Would: 1) replace the quarterly reporting in CalWORKs and Food Stamps with semi-annual reporting; 2) provide categorical eligibility to Food Stamp benefits for certain Medi-Cal participants; 3) simplify Food Stamp verification requirements; 4) require the State to seek a Federal waiver to exempt certain Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents from the 3 month limit to Food Stamp benefits; and 5) eliminate the requirement to maintain a statewide fingerprint imaging system for use in connection with eligibility for CalWORKs, Food Stamps and General Assistance. The bill would allow eligible counties to opt out of the waiver to exempt certain Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents from the three-month limit to Food Stamp benefits and hold counties harmless from the Federal food stamp error rate penalties resulting from the implementation of categorical eligibility to Food Stamp benefits for certain Medi-Cal participants.	Senate Desk
AB 717	Gordon, Horton	Support and Amend to specify that the Centinela Airport Clinic must comply with the policies and procedures of the local EMS Agency to receive basic life support patients as part of the 911 EMS system, and to increase reimbursement rates for physicians and ambulance service providers (Board Action: 5/10/05)	Would allow the freestanding Centinela Airport Clinic, on a pilot basis, to be considered the equivalent of an emergency department of a general acute care hospital despite not being located on the premises of a general acute care hospital, and would require the Centinela Airport Clinic to: 1) comply with the requirements of a general acute care hospital emergency department; 2) be open 24-hours per day, 365 days per year; 3) maintain laboratory services and provide necessary radiological services; 4) assure physician, surgeon, and nurse staffing applicable to hospital emergency departments; 5) be capable of transferring patients to higher levels of care; and 6) provide data to the EMS agency. The Centinela Airport Clinic is currently being reimbursed at the level of an urgent care center, and AB 717 would allow for a higher reimbursement at emergency department rates.	Senate Desk

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 761	Jones	Oppose (State Update: 5/24/05)	Would require the California Department of Health Services to consider any staffing guidelines developed by relevant professional associations, worker injury rates, and patient injury rates, in determining if staffing is adequate in general acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, and special hospitals. These provisions would not apply to the staffing of licensed nurses.	Senate Desk
AB 783	Jones	Support (State Update: 4/1/05)	Would require the State to pay for expenses incurred by local governments in the preparation and conduct of elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senate or Representative in Congress. It also provides that where an election is consolidated with a local election, the State would only pay for those additional expenses directly related to the election proclaimed by the Governor.	Senate Desk
AB 856	Bass	Support (Board Action: 4/19/05)	Would add the Director of the Department of Conservation, or his or her designee, as a non-voting member of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) board, make changes pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, and repeal the requirement that the BHC obtain and maintain liability insurance.	Senate Desk
AB 862	Bass	Support (State Update: 5/12/05)	Would direct the Department of Corrections to provide information on how to modify child support orders to every inmate who is a parent of a minor. The information would include: 1) a Child Support Handbook; 2) a pamphlet entitled Child Support Information for the Parent in Jail or Prison; 3) information and forms on Compromise of Assigned Arrearages; and 4) information on services provided by family law facilitators.	Senate Desk
AB 889	Ruskin	Support (State Update: 5/2/05)	Would continue the authority of counties to collect registration fees for commercial weighing and measuring devices by repealing the sunset date of January 1, 2006. These devices (scales and meters) are used to calculate the price of goods sold.	Senate Desk
AB 921	Daucher	Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	Would: 1) allow the term of redevelopment projects to be extended for an additional 25 years without making a new finding of blight; 2) allow a redevelopment agency, during a 25-year extension, to use up to 40 percent of the property tax allocated for infrastructure improvements related to the production of market-priced or affordable housing while using a minimum of 60 percent of the funds to increase, improve, or preserve market-priced and affordable housing; and 3) limit the amount of property tax shifted to redevelopment agency receipts during a 25-year extension to 50 percent of the amount that would otherwise be allocated under current law.	Assembly Housing and Community Development

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AB 1090	Matthews	Support (Board Action: 3/29/05)	Would define conversion technologies and promote their development by incorporating conversion technologies within the State's waste management hierarchy in proper context to its environmental benefits and impacts, and provide diversion credit to jurisdictions that utilize such facilities.	Assembly Natural Resources
AB 1167	Chu	Oppose (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would allow the City of El Monte and the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency to amend the Downtown El Monte Redevelopment Project and: 1) eliminate the time limit on the establishment of indebtedness; 2) increase from \$44.4 million to \$65 million the amount of bonded indebtedness that the agency may have outstanding at any one time; 3) extend the time limit on the effectiveness of the plan for up to an additional 10 years; 4) substitute required pass-through payments to taxing agencies (including the County) with "certain tax increment amounts"; and 5) commit 30 percent of all taxes allocated pursuant to transit oriented projects to low and moderate income housing.	Assembly Housing and Community Development
AB 1248	Umborg	Oppose (State Update: 4/7/05)	Would prohibit a county from imposing a booking fee on local agencies, colleges, and universities for county costs incurred in processing or booking persons arrested by those entities for a felony offense, by permitting the charging of a fee only for crimes which are not felonies. The measure also expressly prohibits the imposition of booking fees for misdemeanor offenses relating to driving under the influence, domestic violence, battery, and specified sex-related offenses.	Assembly Local Government
AB 1252	Pavley	Support (Board Action: 4/26/05)	Would authorize the County to designate Mulholland Highway as an official County Scenic Highway.	Senate Transportation and Housing
AB 1285	Montanez	County-sponsored	Would expand eligibility for participation in the Investing in Early Educators stipend program to include persons working in licensed family child care homes and child care centers that do not hold California Department of Education contracts. Urgency measure.	Senate Desk
AB 1330	Karnette	Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	Would: 1) establish the Harbor District Development Authority in the City of Los Angeles, and authorize the Los Angeles City Council, by resolution, to designate the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners as the redevelopment agency for the Los Angeles Harbor District (LAHD); 2) create a new definition of blight that fits the circumstances of the LAHD; 3) exempt the LAHD from certain environmental impact report requirements; 4) shorten plan adoption reporting requirements; and 5) eliminate the prohibition on redevelopment agency use of property tax increment for operations and maintenance expenses (current law restricts the use of agency funds to capital expenses).	Assembly Local Government

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AB 1331	Umberg	Oppose (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would exempt most safety member employees from last year's workers' compensation reforms established by SB 899 of 2004 relating to apportionment of permanent disability and to certain presumptions.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 1333	Frommer	Support (State Update: 6/3/05)	Would: 1) make it a crime for a grease hauler to discard grease materials at any place other than an authorized facility; 2) prohibit a grease hauler from reinserting grease materials into any facility from which the hauler has just removed the material; 3) subject violators to a misdemeanor, punishable by six months in jail or a maximum \$10,000 fine, or both, and allows the court to bar repeat violators from engaging in the grease hauling business for up to five years; and 4) earmark 50 percent of penalty revenue to the Environmental and Training Account, 25 percent to the customary penalty distribution process, and 25 percent to the local health officer or other local official who investigated the matter bringing the action.	Senate Desk
AB 1380	Gordon	Support (Board Action: 4/12/05)	Would create rules for determining the inventory of numbering resources applicable to the telecommunications carriers that hold numbers (codes or blocks within rate centers) in California, to avoid the premature exhaustion of an area code.	Senate Desk
AB 1491	Calderon	Oppose (Board Action: 3/8/05)	Would reduce the Housing Authority's responsibility for the allocation of Industry Housing Fund Program funds by authorizing the City of Industry to transfer up to 50 percent of the low-and moderate-income housing funds currently administered by the Housing Authority to another eligible public entity located outside the City.	Assembly Housing and Community Development
AB 1605	Wolk, Berg	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	Would add officers and employees of financial institutions, including banks, credit unions, and savings and loans, to those designated as mandated reporters of financial abuse perpetrated against elder and dependent adults.	Assembly Inactive File
AB 1664	Gordon	Oppose (State Update: 6/1/05)	Would permit voluntary disclosure of elder or dependent adult financial abuse by financial institutions, and require certain financial institutions to provide training to their employees regarding such abuse. It would also grant broad civil and criminal immunity to financial institutions and their officers, employees, and agents related to any financial abuse that is disclosed.	Senate Desk
ACA 17	Mullin	Support (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would amend the California Constitution to authorize 17-year old citizens, who will be at least 18 years old by the next general election, to register and vote at that general election and at any intervening primary or special elections that occur after the person is eligible to register to vote.	Assembly Elections, Redistricting and Constitutional Amendments

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<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AJR 22	Bass	County-sponsored	Would urge Congress and the President to take immediate action to eliminate restrictions on child death review teams to access school records of deceased children.	Assembly Education
SB 34	Florez	No Position	NOW: Was amended to address the probation requirements of sex offenders and make other changes related to sex offender registration.	Senate Public Safety
		Oppose (Board Action: 3/1/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required that the majority of the membership of the county First 5 commissions consist of persons who do not represent a county.	
SB 35	Florez	Support if Amended to require stronger fiscal oversight by the State without affecting local control (Board Action: 3/1/05)	Would require county First 5 commissions to: 1) adopt policies regarding conflict of interest and contracting and procurement procedures; 2) adopt a limit on the amount of its revenues that can be spent on administrative functions; 3) adopt policies and processes establishing the salaries and benefits of employees of the county commission; and 4) send its annual audit and report to the State First 5 Commission. The State Commission is allowed to withhold the county commission's share of tobacco tax revenues for failure to submit the data. In its report, each county commission must list, by category, all program areas funded in a format prescribed by the State commission.	Assembly Desk
SB 57	Alarcon	Support (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would augment the Emergency Medical Services Fund by allowing counties to collect an additional \$2 penalty assessment on every \$10 penalty for all criminal offenses and moving violations and would allow county boards of supervisors, by resolution, to levy an additional \$2 penalty assessment for specified crimes and moving violations, including speeding, seat belt infractions, domestic violence and DUI's. Counties with pediatric trauma care units would be authorized to use these new funds to establish a Pediatric Trauma Fund to purchase pediatric facilities and equipment.	Assembly Desk
SB 112	Ortiz	Oppose (State Update: 4/8/05)	Would change the formula used to calculate each county's share of total State Refugee Employment Social Services (RESS) and Refugee Targeted Assistance Program (RTAP) funds. The bill would require 50 percent of the RESS funds to be allocated on the proportion of refugees receiving public assistance, and the remaining 50 percent based on the most recent 60-month refugee arrival data. Would also allocate RTAP funds based on the arrival data during the most recent 60-month period using Federal methodology. These changes would result in the County receiving \$700,000 less funds for the Refugee Employment Program.	Assembly Desk

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SB 116	Dutton	Support (Board Action: 2/1/05)	Would eliminate the Safe Surrender Law sunset provision in order to provide for the safe surrender of infants as an alternative to abandonment permanently.	Assembly Public Safety
SB 148	Scott	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would authorize the Cities of Bakersfield and Pasadena, on a four-year pilot basis, to apply new zoning regulations to pre-existing businesses which sell alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption, such as liquor stores, allow affected businesses up to six months to comply, and authorize the cities to allow longer time periods.	Assembly Desk
SB 153	Chesbro	Support and Amend to include beaches in the definition of parks (State Update: 4/12/05)	Would enact the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2006, which, if adopted by the voters, would authorize the issuance of \$3 billion in State General Obligation bonds for resource protection, acquisition, and development.	Assembly Desk
SB 258	Chesbro	Support (Board Action: 5/10/05)	Would require the California Department of Mental Health to establish a working group to develop recommendations on improving the quality of care in residential care facilities serving adults with mental illness.	Assembly Health
SB 267	Romero	Support (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would restructure the Trauma Care Fund to require regional distribution of funds based on the statewide proportion of trauma care services provided in a region, repeal the requirement that trauma centers receive a minimum level of funding, and require the grants to be awarded on a competitive basis.	Assembly Desk
SB 324	McClintock	Support (State Update: 3/15/05)	Would define a transportation gridlock emergency as a condition that requires extraordinary State action, and authorizes the Governor to declare a state of emergency when any highway has an average daily vehicle delay that exceeds 3,000 vehicle hours per day.	Senate Transportation and Housing
SB 395	Escutia	Support if Amended to define 'court purposes' to include all county-court-related functions that are necessary for the efficient operation of the Superior Court (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would enact the California Court Facilities Bond Act of 2006 to fund the acquisition, construction, and renovation of trial court facilities, and place the bond act, for an as yet unspecified amount, on the ballot for the next Statewide election. This bill would provide funding needed because of the depletion of the Courthouse Construction Fund to build new court facilities or renovate existing court facilities that have been transferred to the State and allows the Judicial Council to require counties to pay for their share of bond principal, interest, and expenses for new construction or renovation.	Assembly Desk

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SB 399	Escutia	Support (State Update: 5/24/05)	Would allow a county to assert a lien against a recovery that injured Medi-Cal eligible patients receive from a third party. It would allow a lien for past medical expenses against a settlement or compromise, in addition to a judgment and establish a new court procedure for resolving disputes that may arise between the provider and the patient relating to the amount that would be reimbursed to the provider.	Assembly Desk
SB 466	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	NOW: Still does the same thing but was amended to include school zones as requested by the County.  PREVIOUSLY: Would have allowed a local agency to use a mobile photo radar system to enforce speed limits on streets within residential districts, subject to certain requirements.	Senate Transportation and Housing
SB 516	Ortiz	Support (State Update: 4/5/05)	Would require residential care facilities for the elderly with six or fewer clients or residents, licensed as of January 1, 2007, to have an automatic fire sprinkler system by January 1, 2011. Facilities licensed on or after January 1, 2007 would be required to have an automatic fire sprinkler system on the date of licensure.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File
SB 521	Tortlakson	Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	Would change redevelopment law relating to transit villages by: 1) allowing local governments to extend the boundaries of a transit village development plan; 2) amending current redevelopment law to include the lack of high density development within a transit village development district as an economic condition that causes blight; and 3) requiring the agency to submit the proposed transit village redevelopment plan to the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank which would make a finding on whether the proposed project is consistent with the requirements of redevelopment law.	Assembly Desk
SB 578	Escutia	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would require a railroad corporation to promptly notify the Office of Emergency Services, the California Highway Patrol, and designated county public safety agencies in an endangered area, of certain information relative to hazardous materials, and in certain events, of train and track locations, whether or not an accident or spill occurs. It also requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to investigate any incident that results in a notification pursuant to this requirement, and to include this information in its annual report to the Legislature.	Assembly Desk

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SB 640	Escutia	Support (State Update: 5/10/05)	Would appropriate \$5 million in one-time only Federal quality carryover child development funds to continue local programs of training and technical assistance to child care providers to increase their capacity to care for children with disabilities.	Assembly Desk
SB 656	Romero	County-sponsored	Would allow a county board of supervisors to place on the ballot a local tax of up to 5 percent on the sale of alcoholic beverages.	Senate Revenue and Taxation Suspense File
SB 926	Florez	Oppose (State Update: 4/4/05)	Would permit the Kern County Board of Supervisors to adopt an ordinance to regulate or prohibit the importation of sewage sludge from another California county for application in Kern County, and would require the prohibition, if enacted, to exempt a contractual obligation to import sewage sludge for land application that was in existence before the effective date of the prohibition.	Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials
SB 945	Soto	County-sponsored	Would change California's HIV reporting system from code-based to names-based.	Senate Judiciary
SB 969	Ducheny, Morrow	Oppose (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would exempt a driver who is 18 years of age or older from the requirement to wear a safety helmet when riding on a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle or motorized bike, if the driver has completed a motorcycle rider training program or has held a class M1 license for two years or more and has proof of current medical insurance. Would also exempt a passenger who is 18 years of age or older from the requirement to wear a helmet if the passenger has proof of current medical insurance.	Senate Transportation and Housing
SB 1018	Simitian	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	Would add officers and employees of financial institutions, including banks, credit unions, and savings and loans, to those designated as mandated reporters of financial abuse perpetrated against elder and dependent adults. The bill would also: 1) establish civil penalties from \$1,000 up to \$5,000 if the failure to report resulted in a death or great bodily injury; 2) require the penalty to be payable by the financial institution to the elder or dependant adult; and 3) create a liability-free period for newly-hired tellers for failing to report suspected elder abuse during the first six months of the teller's employment.	Assembly Desk

Attachment

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
SJR 13	Escutia	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would urge the President and Congress of the United States to amend the Federal Railroad Safety Act to increase authority of state and local governments to enact railroad safety regulations providing greater protection for their residents from railroad derailments, hazardous materials spills, and highway-rail crossing accidents, as long as state enactments, rules, or regulations do not conflict with Federal law and do not impose an unreasonable burden on interstate commerce.	Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications